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Dear Sir:

With respect to the Restriction Requirement mailed on 05/02/2003, the Examiner has restricted the instant application to the invention of Species I, (Claims 1-11); Species II, (Claims 7-11); Species III, (Claim 11); or Species IV, (Claims 12-21). In light of this, Applicant elects to pursue Species I, (Claims 1-11) readable thereon.

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